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SUBJECT: AUGUST 13 IN EAST BERLIN

1. THE SEVENTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE BERLIN WALL PASSED IN EAST BERLIN
WITH ALMOST NO OFFICIAL FANFARE AND WAS VIRTUALLY
IGNORED BY THE POPULACE. SEVERAL EAST GERMANS WITH
WHOM EMBASSY OFFICERS SPOKE OVER THE WEEKEND HAD TO BE
REMINDING OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DATE WHILE MOST
EAST BERLINERS SEEMED MORE CONCERNED WITH THEIR SUMMER
VACATIONS THAN WITH DWELLING ON UNPLEASANT POLITICAL
MEMORIES.

2. NEUES DEUTSCHLAND OF 12/13 AUGUST CONTAINS THE
OBLIGATORY EDITORIAL ALWAYS PUBLISHED AT THIS TIME OF THE
YEAR JUSTIFYING THE WALL. THE RATIONALE FOR THE
WALL IS ESSENTIALLY THE SAME AS THAT PROVIDED IN PREVIOUS
YEAR'S EDITORIALS. THE WALL WAS A RESPONSE TO AGGRESSIVE
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THREATS TO THE GDR BY THE FRG, SUPPORTED BY THE US,
WHICH WERE NIPPED IN THE BUD. THE EVENTS OF AUGUST 13,
1961, LAID THE FOUNDATIONS FOR THE FOUR POWER AGREEMENT
ON BERLIN, THE BASIC TREATY BETWEEN THE FRG AND THE GDR,
THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT, AND DETENTE. THE WALL THUS SERVES
THE INTERESTS OF SECURITY IN EUROPE AND THE INTERESTS
OF ALL PEOPLES. BOLEN

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